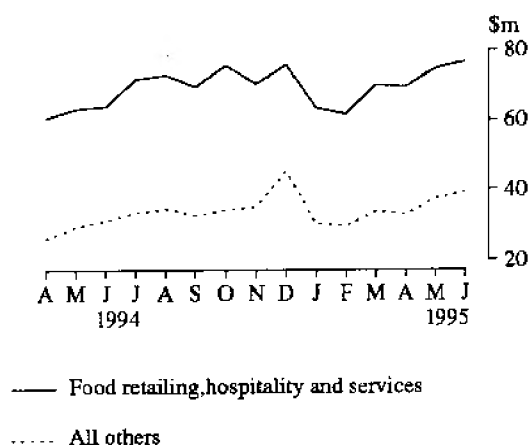


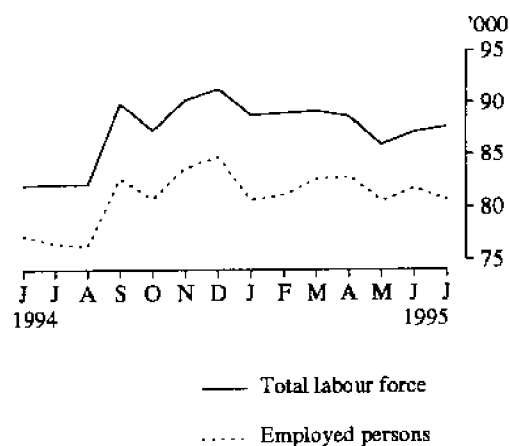
NORTHERN TERRITORY BUSINESS INDICATORS, AUGUST 1995

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

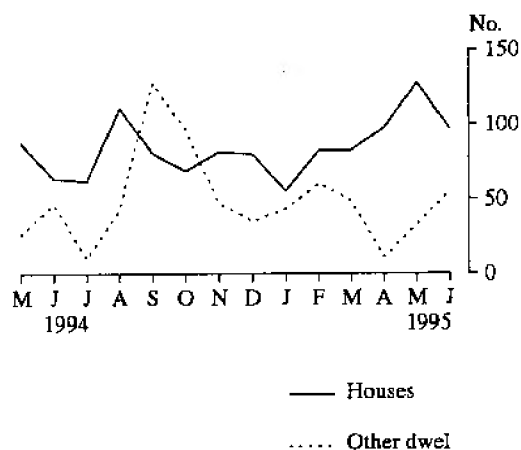
TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS



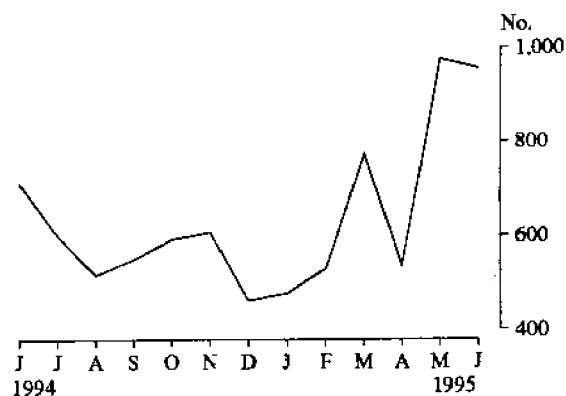
LABOUR FORCE



NEW DWELLING UNITS APPROVED



NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS



PHONE INQUIRIES

- about these and other ABS statistics and services — contact **Information Services** on Darwin (089) 432 111 or any other ABS office.

MAIL INQUIRIES

- write to **Information Services**, ABS, GPO Box 3796, Darwin 0801, or any ABS State office.

Figures have been taken from a variety of ABS publications. Copies may be obtained from Information Services. Some of the figures shown are preliminary, some final and some are revisions of previously published figures.

Bob Harrison
Statistician, Northern Territory

NORTHERN TERRITORY BUSINESS INDICATORS, AUGUST 1995

Indicator	Unit	Northern Territory				Australia						
		Latest	Latest	Change from	Change from	Latest	Change from	Change from				
		period	figure	previous	same period		previous	same period				
									period	period	previous year	previous year
									figure	(%)	(%)	(%)
LABOUR FORCE												
Employed	'000	Jul 95	80.7	-1.3	5.5	8,293.6	0.2	3.9				
Unemployed	'000	Jul 95	7.0	32.1	25.0	709.6	-2.1	-11.7				
Unemployment rate (a)	%	Jul 95	8.0	1.9	1.2	7.9	-0.2	-1.2				
Participation rate (a)	%	Jul 95	71.1	0.3	2.9	63.7	0.0	0.7				
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS												
Males	\$	May 95	666.80	0.0	1.3	652.70	0.4	4.4				
Females	\$	May 95	462.00	-1.3	2.6	429.90	-0.2	1.7				
Total persons	\$	May 95	565.70	-1.2	0.7	548.10	0.0	3.1				
RETAIL TURNOVER												
Food & hospitality & services	\$m	Jun 95	76.9	2.9	20.2	5,324.6	-1.2	11.3				
All other stores	\$m	Jun 95	39.4	5.3	25.9	3,998.6	-1.5	5.2				
Total	\$m	Jun 95	116.3	3.7	22.0	9,323.2	-1.3	8.6				
PRICES												
<i>Consumer Price Index</i>												
Food	(1989-90=100.0)	Jun qtr 95	115.5	0.7	2.1	113.7	0.4	3.8				
Housing	(1989-90=100.0)	Jun qtr 95	115.5	2.2	10.5	104.7	1.8	10.9				
Transport	(1989-90=100.0)	Jun qtr 95	116.4	1.3	2.2	118.8	1.3	3.1				
All groups	(1989-90=100.0)	Jun qtr 95	116.8	1.3	3.9	116.2	1.3	4.5				
<i>Average retail prices</i>												
Beer, draught, 285ml glass	cents	Jun qtr-95	214	2.9	5.4	..	..	..	
Bread, white, 680g	cents	Jun qtr-95	185	0.0	10.1	..	..	..	
Milk, carton, 1 litre	cents	Jun qtr-95	100	1.0	6.4	..	..	..	
Petrol, leaded, 1 litre	cents	Jun qtr-95	76.4	2.6	3.7	..	..	..	
Steak, rump, 1 kg	cents	Jun qtr-95	1,258	2.6	1.0	..	..	..	
INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES												
no. of days lost	Year ended											
OCCURRED	per '000 employees	Apr 95	132	-6.4	238.5	73	-1.4	-17.1				
BUILDING												
<i>Approvals</i>												
New houses	no.	Jun 95	97	-24.2	51.6	8,427	-6.3	-28.9				
Other residential	no.	Jun 95	55	66.7	17.0	3,602	-24.7	-35.9				
Total new residential building	\$m	Jun 95	16.6	-7.5	46.4	1,095.3	-18.4	-29.5				
Total non-residential building	\$m	Jun 95	50.5	111.2	955.5	1,050.7	10.1	-9.8				
Value of all building approved	\$m	Jun 95	69.3	47.2	298.7	2,330.6	-7.2	-20.0				
Commencements - New Houses	no.	Mar qtr 95	189	-22.9	-36.4	24,259	-23.9	-15.4				
Value of total work done during period (d)	\$m	Mar qtr 95	68.1	-25.2	-6.8	6,254.5	-17.6	6.8				
HOUSING FINANCE												
<i>Secured commitments to individuals</i>												
For construction of dwellings	\$m	Jun 95	86	-2.3	45.8	6,005	-0.7	-36.5				
For purchase of new dwellings	\$m	Jun 95	20	185.7	-13.0	1,818	-1.6	-18.2				
For purchase of established dwellings (b)	\$m	Jun 95	227	-10.6	-14.7	22,888	-0.8	-24.5				
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS												
Motor vehicles	no.	Jun 95	956	-2.0	34.3	59,816	-6.7	3.2				
Motor cycles	no.	Jun 95	51	21.4	54.5	1,589	-18.9	11.9				
OVERSEAS TRADE												
Imports	\$m	Jun 95	44.0	37.8	133.5	6,575.1	-4.8	21.1				
Exports (c)	\$m	Jun 95	118.9	8.1	80.8	5,426.2	-8.0	8.2				
TOURIST ACCOMMODATION												
<i>Hotel, motels & guest houses</i>												
Room occupancy rate (a)	%	Mar qtr 95	45.3	-11.8	2.2	58.1	-0.9	2.2				
Bed occupancy rate (a)	%	Mar qtr 95	26.5	-6.5	1.3	35.7	-0.1	0.9				
Takings from accommodation	\$m	Mar qtr 95	17.7	-24.5	14.2	776.7	-2.5	10.3				
POPULATION												
Estimated Resident Population	'000	Dec qtr 94p	172.2	0.5	1.0	17,938.5	0.2	1.1				

Source: ABS Catalogue Nos: 3101.0, 5609.0, 5461.0, 6202.0, 6302.0, 6321.0, 6401.0, 6403.0, 8361.0, 8501.0, 8635.0, 8635.7, 8731.0, 8731.7, 8752.0, 8752.7, 9301.0, 9303.0

Symbols used in this publication: .. not applicable, - nil or rounded to zero, n.a. not available, r revised, p preliminary, (a) change shown in terms of percentage points,

(b) excludes refinancing, (c) excludes re-exports (d) includes residential and non-residential building.